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In re Patent Application of:

Richard Cottrell

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## **COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant has reviewed the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance and wishes to submit the following remarks. The Statement paraphrases several limitations from independent claim 64 as reasons for allowance of the claims. Applicant wishes to point out that each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element. Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated therein.

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Otherwise, Applicant agrees with the Statement that the allowed claims distinguish over the prior art.

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